

# THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTER

**GA** House Study Committee on

Cannabis Waste and Recycling

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Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC)

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#### AT A GLANCE

- Established in 1958 with Roots to Late 1800's
- Only Historically-Black Theological School in Georgia
- Located in Atlanta University Center
- Accredited by Association of Theological School (ATS) and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Accrediting (SACSCOC)
- Largest freestanding Historically Black Theological School in the U.S.



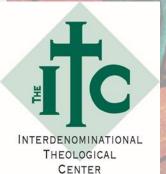
### Collective Black Membership of Historic Partner Denominations Over 20 million

## Historic Partnership with Christian Denominations

- Baptist
- Church of God in Christ
- United Methodist
- Christian Methodist Episcopal
- African Methodist Episcopal
- Over 10 additional faith traditions among student body

"...practicing justice and peace through a liberating and transforming spirituality"

Preparing social sector leaders for institutions, organizations and faith communities that serve as hubs for spiritual and social impact.



UNIQUE NEXUS OF HISTORICALLY BLACK HIGHER EDUCATION EDUCATION & FAITH

**Top to Bottom Overhaul** 

ITC 2.0

Institutional Model & Governance

Educational Design & Platform

**Operations** 



#### ITC 2.0 EDUCATIONAL AIM



The educational aim of ITC 2.0 is rooted in the idea that "education is the process by which a community builds its capacity to solve its problems and co-create its future."

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The educational aim of ITC 2.0 interprets ITC's mission as an institutional intention to cultivate

**Prophetic Problem Solvers** 



Academic & Educational

Design

- •Leadership Labs w/ Civic Partners
- Situated Learning
- •Human Centered Design Justice
- Africana Applied Research



Impact Program Portfolio

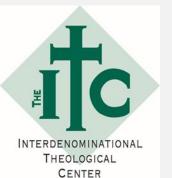
- •Interfaith HIV/ AIDS Initiative
- Green Workforce Development
- •Thriving Prophetic Congregations
- •Connecting with Hope Innovation Hub
- •Youth Hope Builders Academy
- •Food and Land Institute



Social Impact Enterprise Footprint

- Housing & Community Development
- •Food Systems & Agroecology
- •Sustainable Development & Renewable Energy

Comprehensive Impact Assessment & Storytelling



ITC 2.0 INTEGRATED IMPACT MODEL

### WHY ARE WE INTERESTED?

- Environmental Health and Safety
- Education and Exposure
  - Ecological Solutions
  - Economic Opportunity
- Alleviation of Human Suffering





Research with Trusted Institutions

Education | Broadcast Towers

Economic Engines for Impact



### THANK YOU!

